## **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1. (Original) A process for preparing a compound of Formula (I), which comprises reacting a compound of Formula (XXI) with a compound of Formula (III) in a polar organic solvent:

Claim 2. (Original) The process of Claim 1, wherein the polar organic solvent is at least one selected from the group consisting of N, N-dimethylformamide, dimethyl sulfoxide, lower alcoholic solvents with 1-3 carbon atoms, and a mixture thereof.

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim 1 [or 2], wherein the reaction is carried out at a temperature of 0-100 °C.

Claim 4. (Original) The process of Claim 1, wherein the compound of Formula (XXI) is obtained by the reaction of a compound of Formula (II) with a compound of Formula (IV):

$$H_2N \xrightarrow{N} N \xrightarrow{N} H$$
TIOEt

(II) (IV)

Claim 5. (Original) The process of Claim 4, wherein the reaction is carried out in at least one polar organic solvent selected from the group consisting of N, N-dimethylformamide, dimethyl sulfoxide, lower alcoholic solvents with 1-3 carbon atoms, and a mixture thereof.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim 4 [or 5], wherein the reaction is carried out at a temperature of 0-100 °C.

Claim 7. (Original) Use of thallium (I) ethoxide (TIOEt) for the preparation of 9-[4-acetoxy-3-(acetoxymethyl) but-1-y1]-2-aminopurine of Formula (i):

Claim 8. (New) The process of Claim 2, wherein the reaction is carried out at a temperature of 0-100 °C.

Claim 9. (New) The process of Claim 5, wherein the reaction is carried out at a temperature of 0-100  $^{\circ}$ C.